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For: IMAGE SCANNING APPARATUS, RECORDING MEDIUM WHICH STORES IMAGE SCANNING PROGRAMS, AND DATA STRUCTURE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application filed in the following foreign country is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 11-322317 filed November 12, 1999.

In support of this claim, a certified copy of said original foreign application was filed on November 8, 2000 in Parent Application No. 09/707,956 filed November 8, 2000.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of this document.

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